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## What is claimed is:

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1. A method for operating a computer system, said computer system including at least one processor, comprising:

establishing a plurality of memory units each having a corresponding memory location;

executing a plurality of tasks running on said at least one processor, said plurality of tasks being operable to share data;

defining a plurality of lists for each memory location;

determining the validity of said data in said memory unit;

locking at least one of said plurality of lists if said data is invalid;

inserting an entry corresponding to one of said plurality of tasks onto said locked list;

unlocking said locked list; and

determining if data is inputted in said memory location between said

15 determining step and said unlocking step.

2. A method for operating a computer system, said computer system comprising at least one processor, comprising:

establishing a plurality of memory units each having a corresponding memory location;

running a plurality of tasks on said processor, said plurality of tasks being operable to share data;

defining a plurality of lists for each memory location;

inserting an entry corresponding to one of said plurality of tasks onto one of said plurality of lists if said one list is unlocked; and

determining if another of said lists is unlocked if said one list is locked.

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3. A method for synchronizing processes in a computer system, said computer system including at least one processor, comprising:

establishing a plurality of memory units each having a corresponding memory location;

5 executing a plurality of tasks running on said processor, said plurality of tasks being operable to share data located in said memory units;

defining a plurality of lists for each memory location; locking at least one of said plurality of lists if said data is not valid; inserting an entry corresponding to one of said plurality of tasks onto said

10 locked list;

unlocking said locked list;

suspending said entered task until valid data is found in said memory unit; reading said valid data;

determining if other data is inputted in said memory unit before said locking step and after said unlocking step; and

reading said other data if it appears in said memory unit.

- 4. The method of claim 3, wherein the locking step further comprises activating selected other ones of said plurality of tasks that are entered on said locked list.
- 20 5. The method of claim 3, wherein said plurality of lists forms a linked list.
  - 6. The method of claim 3, wherein said plurality of lists is between four and eight.
- The method of claim 3, further comprising transferring the operation of said locked list when said locked list is locked by another one of said plurality of
   tasks.

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8. A computer system having enhanced concurrency, comprising:

a plurality of processors;
a plurality of tasks running on said plurality of processors;
a plurality of memory units each having a corresponding memory location;
a plurality of lists corresponding to each of said memory location;
wherein one of said plurality of tasks is responsible for activating selected ones of said plurality of tasks contained on the same list as said one task.

- 9. The system of claim 8, wherein said plurality of lists form a linked list.
- 10. The system of claim 8, wherein said plurality of lists is between four and 10 eight.
  - 11. The system of claim 8, wherein said computer system is a multitasking or multiprocessing computer system.
  - 12. A method of operating a computer system having at least one processor, comprising:
- determining the validity of data in a memory unit;
  locking a list corresponding to said memory unit if said data is invalid;
  inserting an entry corresponding to one of said plurality of tasks onto said
  locked list;

unlocking said locked list; and

determining if data is inputted in said memory location between said determining step and said unlocking step.